

## U. S. RECOGNIZES GEN. CARRANZA

Revolt Leader and Huerta Now Treated on Same Basis.

## MONEY CRASH NEAR

Leading Mexican Banks Refuse to Accept State Bank Bills.

## ADVANCE ON CHIHUAHUA

Federals Prepare to Attack Villa From Three Different Sides.

The Washington Administration, by sending an envoy to Gen. Villa and negotiating previously with Gen. Carranza through the American Consul at Hermosillo, headquarters of the Constitutionalists, has practically recognized Gen. Carranza. The leader of the revolt in the northern States of Mexico and head of the Constitutional party is now on the same basis as Gen. Huerta. Neither is recognized by the United States as the head of the republic of Mexico, but each is treated as the head of a faction.

A general financial crash is fast approaching in the Mexican capital. Two leading banks, the Banco Nacional and the Banco de Londres y Mexico, refused yesterday to accept the State bank bills, of which the Banco Central Mexicano is the holding bank. This action renders worthless bills for several million pesos now in circulation and is expected to precipitate the crisis.

Gen. Villa is in danger of losing the benefit of his recent successes in the north. The Federals who took Torreón recently are now advancing on Chihuahua. They will be reinforced by another column coming from the States of Nuevo Leon and Coahuila and also by the Federal troops under Gen. Mercado now at Ojinaga.

## CARRANZA RECOGNIZED BY U. S.

Rebel Leader and Huerta Now on Same Basis.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Wilson Administration apparently has recognized Gen. Carranza, not only as the de facto authority in control of the immediate locality where he maintains his headquarters, but also as the head of the revolution in Mexico and of so much of a government as the Constitutionalists assume to maintain.

This was indicated here this afternoon when Secretary Bryan admitted that the State Department was making representations to Gen. Carranza regarding the expenses which Gen. Villa is accused of committing at Chihuahua.

This is not the first time such action recognizing Carranza as one presumably in command of all the revolutionary forces has been taken by the Administration. Secretary Bryan said that on several other occasions he had brought certain matters concerning events in Mexico to Carranza's attention.

By these proceedings the Wilson Administration has put Carranza and the Constitutional movement on practically the same basis as President Huerta and the Federal Government. The Administration does not recognize Huerta as the head of a government, but only as the de facto authority in control of a certain portion of Mexican territory and holding subordinate to himself authorities in various localities. The communications with Carranza have accorded him practically the same thing. These communications have been carried on through Consul Louis Hostetter of Hermosillo.

## Carothers Knows Villa.

Secretary Bryan said today that one reason George C. Carothers, former Vice Consul at Torreón, had been selected to go to Chihuahua to try to induce Villa to moderate his attitude toward the Spaniards and other foreigners he holds at his mercy in that city was that Carothers knows Villa personally. In making the demands of the United States on Villa for humane treatment of foreigners Carothers will cooperate with Consul Letcher at Chihuahua. Direct communication with Letcher is impossible because telegraphic communication is interrupted.

Administration officials are rather pessimistic regarding the probability of Villa according to demands that he give to all foreigners without discrimination the protection required in accordance with the observance of international law. From what is known of Villa's character it is believed he will continue to exercise the same despotic control as he has exercised since he captured Chihuahua.

It is doubted whether Carranza can fully control this rebel leader. It is pointed out that most of the victories won in northern Mexico recently by the revolutionists have been by Villa's command, while Carranza has been remaining quiet in the State of Sonora.

## Quiet Restored at Tampico.

Normal conditions have been restored at Tampico with the withdrawal of the attacking forces of the Constitutionalists, according to a despatch received at the Navy Department to-night from Admiral Fletcher, commanding the American Squadron in Mexican waters.

The Admiral states that quiet reigns in the city of Tampico and business has been

## CHILD CONSCIOUS UNDER KNIFE.

Girl, 5, Undergoes Brain Operation Without Anesthetic.

This explains why a five-year-old girl, Carmela Bove, is the pet of all the nurses in her ward at New York Hospital.

She was taken to the hospital at noon yesterday by Dr. Schrock and his ambulance. The hoof of a runaway horse had struck her while she was playing at Prince and Macdonald streets. Her skull was fractured and splinters of bone were pressing the brain on the right side of her forehead.

Dr. Mark Ward, senior house surgeon, and an assistant, Dr. James Harley Hitzrot, found that the splinters must be removed at once and that the child could not be anesthetized. She was conscious and would remain so throughout the operation.

Her parents, Antonio and Anna Bove of 131 Thompson street, were called to the hospital. The surgeons explained and they gave their consent. The child on the operating table gripped their hands and did not flinch or cry while swift forceps saved her life.

## "OBSERVERS" DON'T OBSERVE.

Americans Sent to Santo Domingo Stay at the Consulate.

SANTO DOMINGO, Dec. 15.—The American "observers" sent from Washington to watch the election of members of the Chamber of Deputies spent today at the American Consulate. The Municipal Council's order prevented everybody excepting election officers and voters from entering polling places. The voting will continue to-morrow. The first day's election passed quietly.

Gen. Tadeo Alvarez, Dominican Minister of War, and Gen. Yppes, Commander in Chief of the army, resigned today. Gen. Lorenzo Marty was appointed to succeed the latter. Alfredo Victoria Simon Diaz declined to take Gen. Alvarez's post.

## SCHWERIN CASTLE WITH ART RELICS DESTROYED

Ancestral Home of Dukes of Mecklenburg-Schwerin Prey of Flames.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—A large part of the famous castle at Schwerin, the residence of the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, which is situated on an island joining the city by a causeway, was destroyed by fire.

The conflagration broke out during dinner on Sunday night and the castle, which was begun in 1845 and completed in 1857, burned all night. The fire apparatus was entirely inadequate, but the spread of the fire was largely due to a tempestuous wind which prevailed at the time.

The famous golden hall and golden staircase were destroyed, but the most serious loss was a beautiful collection of tapestries and old furniture. The secret archives, the pictures and the jewelry of the Grand Dukes, as well as much other property, were saved. A quantity of cartridges in one of the towers of the castle caused a series of explosions.

The palace was begun in the early Renaissance style from designs by Dommer and was completed by Steiner. It was an extensive structure with irregular wings flanked by lofty towers. As early as the twelfth century a palace of the princes of Mecklenburg occupied the site. The palace was rebuilt in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries and parts of the old edifice had been incorporated with the modern building.

## TO REMOVE WHEAT TARIFF.

Western Canadian Grain Growers to Appeal to Borden.

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Removal of wheat and flour duties, the increase of the British preference to 50 per cent. and the removal of the tariff on agricultural machinery will be demanded of the Government to-morrow when a delegation representing the grain growers' organizations of the western provinces and the Ontario farmers will call on Premier Borden.

The delegation arrived here to-day. The Government has under consideration now the removal of the grain and flour duties so as to allow free entry of Canadian grain into the United States.

## ROSES FOR FRENCH DEPUTIES.

"Titled" Woman Appears in Chamber for Suffrage's Sake.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—A woman who called herself Lady Lillian Glenworth entered the Chamber of Deputies today wearing an ample mantle. The vigilant sentinels thought at once that she was a suffragette. The woman, who was decidedly pretty, was invited to open her mantle. She complied, and instead of the expected bombs roses were found. The woman said she wished to distribute the roses among the Deputies in return for their signatures to a petition favoring women's rights.

The gallant Deputies soon took all of the lady's stock. She promised to return, however, with a fresh supply. She forgot that there are about 500 Deputies.

A woman who called herself Lady Grace of Westmore, a titled English suffragette, appeared in Berlin a short time ago to solicit votes of prominent men to a woman suffrage petition. It was finally discovered that she was an actress advertising her forthcoming appearance at a theatre.

## GETS LIFE TERM FOR BURGLARY.

Hoskowitz Sent to Sing Sing for Breaking Into Home.

Meyer Hoskowitz was sentenced to Sing Sing for life yesterday by Judge Tierney in the County Court in Brooklyn. He was convicted on Wednesday last of burglary as a second offender.

He forced an entrance into the home of Mrs. Lena Silverman at 283 South Fourth street. Hoskowitz is 38 years old.

## WILSON MAY PUNISH ARMY AND NAVY MEN

President Nettled by Skits on Philippine Policy at Carabao Dinner.

## HE RESIGNS FROM SOCIETY

Bryan Satirized in the Presence of Secretary Daniels, Who Attended Affair.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The army and navy officers received a severe jolt this afternoon when they were informed that President Wilson had ordered an investigation into the recent dinner here of the Carabao Society. He also has resigned his honorary membership in the organization.

This society is composed of army, navy and marine officers who were in the Philippines during the military government of the island. They have an annual dinner, at which it has been the custom to add to the entertainment by presenting burlesques on current events.

This year the burlesques and satires hit the policies of the present Administration toward the Philippines, and particularly Secretary Bryan's activities as an apostle of peace. That is what has ruffled the temper of President Wilson and his advisers and has led to the order for an investigation.

Most persons in Washington who had been accustomed to accepting the Carabao stunts in a spirit of fun were astounded today when they heard of the President's action and the general query was: "Is the Administration thin skinned?"

## The President's Attitude.

The President, however, considers it highly improper for officers of the army and navy to give expression to such a lack of sympathy with the Administration policies or to reflect on individual members of the Cabinet in such a way as was indicated in the published reports of the proceedings at the dinner last Thursday night.

One song in particular which has been sung ever since the organization of this society in the Philippines was regarded as objectionable by the Wilson Administration, and Secretary Daniels, who was at the dinner, has been outspoken in regard to it.

The President has delegated Secretary Garrison to make an investigation into the dinner. Mr. Garrison intends to have everything that went on reproduced before him so far as possible.

He will ask for copies of all the songs and will demand the text of all the sketches. He intends also to learn who produced each number of the programme. Mr. Garrison will present his report to President Wilson and take such action toward the army officers who participated in the affair as he may see fit.

It is believed that as the result of the serious view the Administration takes of the Carabao dinner some reprimands are likely to follow.

## Two Features Cause Resentment.

The Carabao song and the skits directed against Secretary Bryan seemed to be the two features of the programme that have aroused the resentment of Democratic officials. The song ran:

"Damn, damn, damn the insurgents.  
Crucified, crucified, crucified.  
Underneath the stars and stripes  
Civilize 'em with a Krag.  
And send us back to our beloved home."

This is not the first time that the propriety of this song has been questioned. Two years ago President Taft approved Carabao for it when he was speaking at the annual dinner. At that time, though, it was sung in its original form, when the first line ran:

"Damn, damn, damn the Filipinos."

Secretary Daniels left the dinner table before the Bryan stunts had been presented, but he heard the "damn, damn" song and came away greatly prejudiced against it.

The fact that President Taft had heard this song without stirring up any official rumpus did not weigh heavily with Secretary Daniels.

"The whole Philippine policy has changed," said Secretary Daniels. "The President has sent out a man to the Philippines to give them independence as soon as possible. The Taft Administration did not have any of that spirit."

Here is another song that the Carabao sang:

"Now, if Wilson were here to-night  
He would give us a spiel that's right  
On how to preserve the army's good name.  
How to play the Mexican game.  
But we'd ask him a thing or two.  
Policy that we should pursue.  
If he'd found it hard to rein  
He'd ask William Jennings Bryan.  
Who would sing him 'Lead, Kindly Light'."

## The Most Amusing "Stunt."

The "stunt" which evoked the most applause at the dinner was aimed at Secretary Bryan. A squadron of miniature battleships was brought into the hall. The ships were named the "Friendship," "Fellowship" and "U. S. S. Hippie." The muzzle of each gun on these ships was stuffed with nosegays and in the fighting tops were large white "doves of peace."

Another stunt aimed at Bryan was the account by a Filipino boy, representing a Filipino Assemblyman, of his visit to Washington to see "Hon. Wm. Jenny Bryan" to ask him to make some different kind of haste in obtaining for my people their independence. After recounting his difficulties in finding Mr. Bryan in his office the boy told how the doorman had recommended that he look for the Secretary on the Chautauqua circuit.

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## PRAYS FOR B. & M. HOLDERS.

Baptist Conference Asks Help for Widows Who Have Stock.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Hundreds of Baptist ministers at a conference in Chipman Hall, Tremont Temple, to-day, united in prayer for the widows and orphans who purchased Boston and Maine stock.

The Rev. Charles L. Page, assistant pastor of the Dudley Street Baptist Church, was presiding, and as is customary before his prayer asked for suggestions from the ministers present. A voice responded:

"I suggest that we pray for the poor women and children who have invested their money in Boston and Maine stocks, and whose heads are now under the wheel."

When Mr. Page touched this point in his prayer he said:

"And it is pertinent at this time that we should pray as our brother has suggested, for the unfortunate women and children who have unwisely invested their money in railroad stock. We trust that God will take care that these people shall not be in absolute want."

## U. S. TELEPHONE LINES FIRST, IS LEWIS PLAN

Representative Prepares Scheme for Acquisition of the Bell System.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The legislative scheme which Representative David J. Lewis of Maryland has prepared for a Government owned telephone and telegraph system contemplates the acquisition at first of the long distance and local wires and plants of the American Bell and independent companies.

Under this plan the Government itself, after it acquires these telephone lines, is to go into the telegraphic business and handle individual messages. The scheme apparently contemplates the using of the telephone lines as a means of combating the telegraph companies, just as the national post has been used in competing with the express companies.

By converting the telephone wires into use as a telegraph service Representative Lewis estimates that the expense to the Government will be reduced by \$200,000,000. It is estimated that an outlay of almost \$6,000,000,000 would be necessary to purchase the telephone systems of the country.

Mr. Lewis proposes that the Interstate Commerce Commission shall appraise the telephone equipment of the country. While this is being done the Government is to pay 4 per cent. interest on the stocks of the telephone company. When the value of these stocks has been fixed by appraisal the Government is to issue 3 per cent. bonds with which to raise the money to acquire the properties.

Mr. Lewis estimates that the Government should earn at least \$100,000,000 annually from the Bell lines. Net earnings are to be applied to the payment of the Government telephone bonds, which would run for forty years.

## MANY DEAD ON AMBRIM ISLAND.

Volcano Throws Out Much Lava and Cinders—All Whites Safe.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 15.—The volcano on Ambrim Island, one of the New Hebrides, has been very active recently. Six new craters were formed on December 6, and the central cone collapsed the next day. Part of the island has been overwhelmed by lava and cinders, and it is believed that many natives have been killed.

The majority of the males escaped in canoes. A steamship rescued 500 women and children. All the whites on the island are safe.

## SAYS "GOOD NIGHT," ENDS LIFE.

Girl Cauterizes Drunk After Her "Accounts Balance."

"My accounts balance. Now, good night!"

Sarah McKinney, 24, cashier in the restaurant in the West Shore Railroad terminal in Weehawken, spoke these words last night to the night cashier, walked into a telephone booth and drank carbolic acid. She died in the North Hudson Hospital.

Miss McKinney is said to have been in love with a man whom her parents opposed.

## TO EXPEDITE BRITISH JUSTICE.

Royal Commission Recommends Abolition of Grand Juries.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A royal commission which was appointed some time ago to investigate the chronic delay in the progress of cases in the British law courts has made a report in which it recommends among other things a stricter adherence to daily hours, the curtailment of the long vacation by twelve days and the establishment of arrangements for trying pressing cases during the vacation.

Further recommendations are that the Judges shall be retired at the age of 72 or if they have been absent from the bench for six months. The abolition of grand juries is also recommended.

## OWES \$778,877; HAS \$100.

Col. Van Horn, Boston Promoter, Tells of Railroad Failure.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Col. Isaac Van Horn, a Boston promoter, having a handsome home at Holderness, N. H., to-day filed a bankruptcy petition at Concord, N. H., giving his liabilities as \$778,877 and his assets as \$100. He secured his military title through appointment to Gov. Quincy's staff.

"I put all my money and energies into the building of the Laramie, Horn's Peak and Pacific Railroad, designed to tap the coal fields. It was forced into the hands of a receiver in May, 1912. I backed the road, and its failure to pay simply floored me."

## DOCTORS SAY CANCER YIELDS TO RADIUM

Robert Abbe of New York and H. A. Kelly of Baltimore Describe Cures.

## EXPERIMENTED TEN YEARS

Submit Their Results to Philadelphia College of Physicians.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Cancer is curable and cancerous growths which had resisted every other treatment invented by science have been cured in forty-eight hours by the properties of radium.

Proofs of these epoch making statements, covering ten years experiment and practice in curing cancer with radium, were submitted to-night to the Philadelphia College of Physicians by Dr. Howard A. Kelly of Baltimore and Dr. Robert Abbe of New York.

"The power of the gamma rays of radium over cancer is not only wonderful, it is appalling, almost unbelievable," said Dr. Kelly, in exhibiting photographs of patients to illustrate improvement under treatment.

One of these patients was known as Uncle John. His photograph showed extensive cancerous growths on the forehead, chin and neck.

"We put the radium tube on and after its application for an hour Uncle John told us his growths were getting smaller," Dr. Kelly continued. "We laughed at him and told him it was his imagination. But next morning improvement was plainly discernible. And on the following day, or within forty-eight hours after the radium was applied, the growths were gone, leaving a perfectly smooth, healthy tissue. The cure was effected."

"I could hardly believe my eyes. If I had said 'I'm cured' and it had disappeared I should not have been more amazed than I was by this wonderful cure."

## Radium Following Surgery.

"Another case I wish to mention was that of a very rich Mexican woman. She was so rich indeed that everybody in Mexico city was in awe of her. The physicians in terror said, 'She has cancer, don't tell her.' By not telling her they permitted her case to become so aggravated that when she was brought to me I hesitated to operate. But I did operate and then applied radium, which like a million knives went into the roots of the disease and cut it as no knife could. And the woman was cured and is well to this day, four years after the operation."

"The one thing we must disabuse our minds of is the old idea that tumors are terrible afflictions of the human race which cannot be cured," said Dr. Abbe. "In my treatment of tumors with radium I have found that tumors are not such terrors, but merely weak cells which by their weakness have become riotous. When they are stimulated with the gamma rays of radium they become normal and behave again like healthy cells. Apply the radium for half an hour and leave it alone. Do nothing more with it. In two weeks there is an improvement, in four weeks the cure is complete."

"The cures are so wonderful and permanent that one hesitates to believe in them. I have made plaster casts of patients, and have taken photographs of them when they first applied for treatment and as the cure progressed, and now I have a number of these casts and photographs covering these cures, which have been permanent, with no recurrence of the disease in from six to nine years. I am convinced that we have reached a stage in our study of radium in which we dare predict that the next two or three years will see the most wonderful medical marvel of history."

Very Difficult Cases Cured.

Both Dr. Kelly and Dr. Abbe gave the history of scores of cases cured, and explained that even cancer of the larynx had been cured by radium simply by applying the radium tube to the exterior of the neck and submitting the disease to "radiation."

Cancer of the tongue, of the lips and even of the breast were among the cases successfully treated by the two physicians. In the more severe cases where the patient suffered from cancer in advanced stages, Dr. Kelly advocated the use of surgery first and then the application of the radium to prevent a recurrence.

Dr. Kelly exhibited pictures of patients that had been improved, though not cured for lack of a sufficient amount of radium. "The only thing that prevented permanent cure in those cases was that we had not enough radium, but we have here, in America, in Colorado and in Utah, where I have been to inspect the mines, enough radium to supply the world," declared Dr. Kelly. "The one danger is of the radium beds being absorbed by a trust."

## FINDS 3 COW ALIMONY MEAGRE.

Says Husband Has City Luxuries, While She Suffers on Farm.

A wife's objection to being supported solely by three cows was registered in the Supreme Court yesterday by Mrs. Bashe Zipkin, in a suit for separation from Benjamin Zipkin, who she says, is a wealthy real estate broker and travels in an automobile. Mrs. Zipkin says that while her husband lives in luxury here at 24 Lenox avenue, she has been compelled to stay on a farm at Dayton, N. J., in which he has a half interest.

Mrs. Zipkin says her husband has assigned three cows to her for the maintenance of herself and ten-year-old son. She not only has to care for the cows but do all the housework on the farm and go into the fields and work. She has been cold and hungry because of the insufficiency of her income, Mrs. Zipkin said.

A Gift, Audemare Opera, Field or Marine Glass, A Lorgnette, Spencer, 7 Maiden Lane, 44c.

## SALVATION ARMY HOME BURNS.

100 Aged Inmates Rescued, One Fatally Hurt.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 16.—The industrial home of the Salvation Army on Freeman avenue was partially destroyed by fire starting shortly after midnight last night. One hundred inmates, mostly old men, were sleeping in the building, but the police think they succeeded in rescuing all but one or two persons reported missing. One of the missing persons is the little daughter of George Watkins, superintendent of the home.

The building is a six-story structure and was originally the West End Turner Hall, and is a noted landmark of the city. Firemen discovered the body of a burned man at 1 o'clock this morning and say that there are several more in the building.

One man was taken out of the building fatally burned. The Salvation Army officials were given orders by the city-building inspector two weeks ago to take out of the building all material kept there for sale, such as bedding, mattresses and other things, but it is said that the order has not been carried out.

## NO LIMIT TO POSTAL SAVINGS.

House Passes a Bill to Revise the System.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The House passed to-day a bill increasing the limit for individual depositors in the postal savings system by removing all limitations as to the amount a depositor may keep to his credit. Heretofore there has been a limit of \$500 for a depositor.

Under the terms of the bill interest will be paid on amounts up to \$1,000 only, but no limit is placed on the amount of non-interest bearing funds which a depositor may place in Uncle Sam's care.

## NO CHRISTMAS PARDONS.

Georgia Governor Breaks Long Established Precedent.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15.—Gov. John M. Slaton broke a long established precedent to-day by announcing that no convict is to have a pardon during the coming Christmas season merely because it is the holiday time of the year.

"I don't understand," said the Governor, "why some should expect a pardon at Christmas time any more than at any time. Appeals must stand or fall on their merits."

## GIRLS TO RUN JERSEY BUSES.

Auto Coach Corporation Considers Hiring 'Em as Conductors.

If the Auto Coach Corporation, which wants to run motor buses on the Hudson Boulevard in Jersey City, lives up to the terms of its contract, ex-Judge John Wahi Queen, made yesterday, its conveyances will be about the most popular in the country.

Judge Queen said that the directors of the company are thinking very seriously of having young women for conductors. He said they are to be uniformed.

## CHURCHILL GOING TO GERMANY.

Gossip Says He Will Discuss "Naval Holiday" Scheme.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—It is announced to-night that Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, is going to Germany on a three weeks' visit. Gossip has it that his visit is for the purpose of making a deal with the German Government in regard to the restriction of naval construction.

In introducing the naval budget some time ago Mr. Churchill renewed his hint of a naval "holiday," or a cessation of the building of dreadnoughts by Great Britain and Germany for a year, saying that other nations would probably follow the lead of these two nations. Mr. Churchill had made the same proposal a year before, but it had not been received with any favor in Germany. His last proposition was also quickly rejected.

## MEAT PRICES SOAR SINCE 1899.

Cost Almost Doubled in Decade, Although Supply Kept Up.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Although the meat supply kept pace with population growth in the decade from 1900 to 1909, the price soared to nearly double the 1899 figure, according to a census bulletin to-day.

Meat "on the hoof" went up 75.5 per cent. The dressed product showed a slightly smaller increase, 73.8 per cent. Americans were eating 105 pounds of beef, veal and mutton per capita in 1909, as against 106 in 1899, although the total per capita meat production in 1909 was 107 pounds.

Sixty-five per cent. of the meat supply was furnished by the packing houses. The country's total production in 1909 was 38,328,815 animals. The slaughterhouses paid \$1,292,827,751 for their supply. The total meat supply was 9,719,065,600 pounds.

## 10,000 ASK KUEHNLE'S RELEASE.

Friends Start Petition for Pardon of Imprisoned Boss.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 15.—The petition for the pardon boss asking clemency for Louis Kuehnle, the imprisoned political boss, promises to be one of the most numerous signed pleas ever presented to gain the release of a prisoner.

Few, say those in charge, decline to sign. It was estimated that 10,000 or more signed to-day, many of them women.

## FIND A SHIP BOTTOM UP.

Thirty of Crew of Steamer, Supposedly the Narvik, Missing.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

EMDEN, Dec. 15.—A ship, which is probably the steamer Narvik, lies bottom up at the mouth of the Ems. The bodies of her pilot and a sailor have been found, but the other thirty members of the crew are missing.

No details as to the cause of the wreck have been received.

## HARBINGER SPECIAL LEAVES EARLIER.

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